

The Holiday Show is Ready.

Every year we gather from far and near a host of pretty things for gift buyers. Those that you like most are likely to be the least expensive, and there's no one to object if you only come to look. It is not a bad idea to buy early, because shrewd shoppers usually get away with the best long before Christmas time.

We enumerate below a few of our Christmas novelties:

Dolls! Dolls!

For the Little Ones.

Best quality Bisque Kid-covered Dolls, 49c, 59c, 79c, 89c, and 98c—all with natural hair.
Rubber Dolls 25c, and a larger size, nicely dressed, 50c.
Mechanical Dolls 25c.
China Tea Sets 25c, 39c, 59c and 79c.

Japanese Ware!

Japanese Plaques, Plates, Vases, Toothpick Holders, Bouquet Holders, Chocolate Pots, Cracker Jars, Oatmeal Sets, Cut-glass Bouquet Holders, Bisque Figures, Bisque Ornaments, China Tea Sets.

Filegree Ware.

Filegree Cologne Bottles, Pin Trays, Jewelry Boxes, Pin Cushions, Ink Bottles, Picture Frames, Whisk Brooms and Filegree Holders.

Toys! Toys!

Noah's Arks, Laundry Sets, Blocks, Ten-pins, Tool Chests, Guns, Magic Lanterns, Tin Kitchens, Tin Stoves, Checker Boards, Tin Horns, Hobby Horses, Wheelbarrows, Sleighs and Banks.

Books! Books!

Books for the little ones, 5c, 10c, 15c, 20c and 25c apiece, and a thousand other articles too numerous to mention.

All we ask is to call and inspect our Holiday Display before making your selections, as you will save from 25 to 50 per cent. on your purchases.

Rosenbaum Bros.,
26 Salem Ave.

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News of People and Events.

Happenings Briefly and Reliably Put Before You.

Landman Piano.
Is one of the finest pianos manufactured in America. Hobbie Music Co., sole dealers.

Estey Organs.
In all styles, factory prices, easy payments, without interest. Hobbie Music Co., sole dealers.

At St. John's Church.
The regular services will be held at St. John's Church to-day at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by Rev. W. H. Meade, the pastor.

Marriage License Issued.
A marriage license was issued yesterday to Judge Wm. E. Burns, of Russell County, and Miss Bula R. Cardwell, of this city.

The Good Work Goes On.
The Business College placed another student the past week. The next session promises to be the largest ever known to this institution.

Christmas Mass.
Christmas mass will be celebrated at St. Andrew's Church this morning at 8 o'clock. The Machine Works Orchestra will assist the choir in the music.

The Market to Close.
The city market will be open on Tuesday all day and up until 10 o'clock at night. On Christmas day it will be closed. All parties had better lay in their supplies the day before.

Christ Church Services.
A correspondent wrote to THE TIMES yesterday that Rev. R. W. Patton, rector of Christ Church, would return from Petersburg last night and fill his pulpit at that place of worship to-day.

A Wedding Present.
The students of the National Business College presented Prof. C. E. Eckley with a beautiful wedding present on the eve of his departure for Mount Morris, Ill., where he will be married on Tuesday.

Timely Suggestions.
On last page of this issue will be found a half page of timely suggestions. Just such things as you will want Monday and Tuesday are there enumerated. Look for the advertisement of Watt, Kettow & Clay.

At Belmont Church.
There will be preaching at Belmont M. E. Church at 11 a. m. by Rev. W. O. Ross, and at 7:30 p. m. by Rev. J. C. Jones. Sunday-school convenes at 9:30 a. m. and the Epworth League promptly at 6:45 p. m.

Death of a Child.
Blanche L., daughter of Samuel G. and Nannie M. Rice, died yesterday morning at 4:30 at the home of her father, No. 892 Seventh avenue n. w., with affection of the brain, aged 12 years. The interment will take place in Fairview Cemetery this afternoon.

A Christmas Marriage.
Morton W. Turner, of the city treasurer's office, and son of ex-Commissioner of the Revenue C. M. Turner, will be married on the evening of Christmas day to Miss Victoria L. Turner, of Pittsburgh, Pa. Several of Mr. Turner's Roanoke friends will attend the marriage.

News of the Courts.
In the hustings court on the motion of W. C. Pace he was appointed administrator of the estate of J. M. Keohart, deceased, giving bond in the sum of \$20 with A. J. Kennard as surety. The judge of the circuit court has the building and loan cases under advisement.

A Wonderful Child.
The Franklin Times-Democrat has the following: "W. W. Ramsey, of Franklin county, has a little girl only nineteen months old that has a most wonderful mind, being able to read very intelligently. She has attracted considerable interest on the part of those who have seen her."

He Broke His Leg.
Frank Moore, an employee of the Roanoke Machine Works, who resides on Commonwealth avenue, fell over the embankment near the freight depot and broke his leg below the knee. The unfortunate young man was conveyed on a stretcher to the office of Dr. Galt, where the broken limb was set, when he was carried to his home.

Police Court Yesterday.
In the police court yesterday a negro named Geo. Burley was up on the charge of stealing \$17 from a countryman named Stewart, whom he stumbled against the evening before. He was recently before the court on the charge of stealing a watch at sonner's restaurant, but was discharged. His case was postponed until Tuesday morning. T. D. Shurtzler, for being disorderly, was fined \$5. Charles Johnson, for vagrancy, \$5. W. Davidson, contempt of court \$5.

Two Old Books.
S. B. Daniels, of this city, has in his possession two old and rare books. Both in paper bound covers and are well preserved. The first is a copy of "The proceedings of the convention of delegates for the colony of Virginia held at Richmond, Va., in the county of York, on the 21st of March, 1775." The second is "The Journal of the house of delegates of Virginia" for the term beginning October 7, 1776, which was held in Williamsburg, the capital city of the State.

Business Better Than Ever Before.
The Thompson-Price Company report business better in their line than ever before. Their book store on Campbell street is crowded from morning until night with a steady flow of customers purchasing valuable presents for friends and dear ones. So great was their trade yesterday that they have decided to keep open every night until 11 o'clock. It is a veritable treat to wander thru their establishment and see the large variety and beautiful display of holiday goods on hand.

Liberal Business Principles.
PIANOS and organs sold upon their real merit. Liberal business principles, easy payments and without interest, by Hobbie Music Co.

Go to Donaldson's for Xmas rockers.

W. W. WORKMAN, auctioneer, will sell a magnificent line of large oil paintings on Tuesday at No. 107 Salem avenue. Great chances for nice Christmas presents.

Now is Your Chance.
Four-year-old 1 rye whiskey selling at 20 cents and 40 cents per pint. Good apple brandy selling at 15 cents and 25 cents per pint at auction at 110 Salem avenue. Sales every 10 a. m. to 1 p. m. and 3 to 6 p. m. and 8 to 10 p. m. until execution is satisfied.

T. R. TILLEY, S. C. R.

The finest goods are being disposed of at auction by the Solomon Jewels Company. They go at our bid, remember "CLEVELAND" and "RAMBLER" bicycles, 1896 models just received. They are beauties. Call at once at Roanoke Cycle Co.'s and see them.

THE HOLLINS RECITALS.

A Programme of Rare Excellence Very Meritoriously Rendered.

The annual anti-Christmas recitals by the pupils of Hollins Institute took place Friday night before a large and enthusiastic audience.

The elaborate programme which follows, was rendered in a manner that gained much applause for the performers and unstinted encomiums for the excellence of the method of instruction of the institute. Following was the programme:

PART I.
Organ solo: "Arioso" in F major, in minor, J. S. Bach—Miss Fannie Newer.
Polonaise in a major, arr. for two pianos, Chopin—Misses Williamson, Labbatt, McLaughlin, Galt.
Vocal solo: "Romance," from "Anna Bolena," Donizetti—Miss Ida Jester.
Piano solo: "In the Forest," Gade—Miss Blanche Garrett.
Violin solo: "Norma" Fantasia, Danabla—Miss Ola Park.
Fantasia Sonata (1 mov.), Mozart—Second piano by Galt—Miss Dugger and Mr. Rath.
Piano solo: Polish Dance, Scharwenka—Miss May Clendenen.
Vocal trio: "The Water Lily," Abt—Misses Mowman, E. Long and S. Long.

PART II.
Overture, "Coriolan," arr. for 2 pianos, Beethoven—Misses White, McAlexander, King, and Mr. Halsey.
Vocal duet, "My Beloved," Mendelssohn—Misses G. Clark and S. Long.
Violin solo, "Lucie de Lammermoor," Fantasia, Singelee—Miss Rosa Cooke.
Piano solo, "Solera de Vienna, No. 2," Schubert—Miss Ella Burnett Nevaume.
Vocal quartette, "Serenade," Goldberg—Misses Mills, Walker, Peyton, Biscoe.
Violin trio, a. Truener, Schumann—V. Trio, op. 99, Danciel—Misses Park, Cooke and Weaver.
Vocal solo, Cavatine, from "Betty," Donizetti—Miss Annie Mowman.
Piano solo, "Gop di Bravoura, Wollenhaupt—Miss Daisy King.
"Farce," "Monetrap," Mrs. Burton Harrison—Miss Clendenen and Miss Walker.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Secretary Mescham entertained the pastors of the city at his house last evening from 6 to 8 o'clock.

Bible class No. 2 has been organized and the membership will be limited to twelve in number.

Dr. Broughton, pastor of Calvary Church, will address the Y. M. C. A. at 4 p. m. to day on the subject, "Contact," and Miss Lella Saunders, the sweet soloist, will sing "Unanswered." All men are cordially invited.

Evangelist John M. Dean will commence his labors with the Roanoke association Thursday evening, December 26. He will also conduct the noon-day business men's meeting while in the city.

Mrs. Watkins, Dressmaker.
CORNER of Commerce and Church s. w., (No. 323). First-class dressmaking; the latest modes; perfect fitting; experienced cutters. Prices to suit the times. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Go to Donaldson's for handsome China sets.

Make Home Beautiful.
On Tuesday, at No. 107 Salem avenue, opposite Barman & Earman, W. W. Workman will sell at public auction a magnificent line of large oil paintings. There will be a large assortment of choice subjects. Frames very attractive as well as durable.

A rare opportunity is here afforded to add new beauty and attractiveness to your home at a slight cost.

Sales 10 to 12 a. m.
3 to 5 p. m.
7 to 9 p. m.

There are also a limited number of separate frames to be sold.

My stock of Steiff pianos and Packard organs are new and fresh. Selling for the factory, can save you money. Call and be convinced. J. E. ROGERS, 104 Jefferson street.

Four good horses and a buggy for sale at Knapp's livery stable at 12 o'clock Monday morning.

LOSS OF VOICE

After Acute Bronchitis CURED BY USING

AYER'S Cherry Pectoral

A PREACHER'S EXPERIENCE.

"Three months ago, I took a violent cold which resulted in an attack of acute bronchitis. I put myself under medical treatment, and at the end of two months was no better. I found it very difficult to preach, and concluded to try Ayer's Cherry



Pectoral. The first bottle gave me great relief; the second, which I am now taking, has relieved me almost entirely of all unpleasant symptoms, and I feel sure that one or two bottles more will effect a permanent cure. To all ministers suffering from throat troubles, I recommend Ayer's Cherry Pectoral."—E. M. BRAWLEY, D. D., Dist. Secretary, Am. Bapt. Publication Society, Petersburg, Va.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

GOLD MEDAL AT THE WORLD'S FAIR.

AYER'S LEADS ALL OTHER SARSAPARILLAS.

PUBLIC SCHOOL JOYTINGS.

Pleasant Entertainment—The Pupils Present Teachers With Xmas Tokens.

The public schools of the city closed Friday evening for their Christmas holidays, work not to be resumed until Monday after New Year.

The afternoon was spent by the pupils of Commerce street school in exercises appropriate to the ensuing holidays. A very pretty "December day" programme had been prepared by the pupils of the primary department, and this, in connection with dialogues and recitations from the other rooms, interspersed with songs, made a very pleasant entertainment.

At the close of these exercises the teachers in the various grades were remembered by their pupils in little gifts in the way of tokens of good-will. The principal, Prof. C. E. Kegloo, was presented with a very handsome picture by the pupils of the school.

Following a custom adopted several years since by some of the teachers of Commerce street school, the pupils of the different rooms brought to the school a pound of something to be distributed among the poor. The collection was turned over to Mr. Barman for distribution, and several hampers were filled with coffee, sugar, butter, canned goods, etc. Through these simple little gifts many a poor home in the town will be the brighter and happier next week.

Misses Wyatt and Board, of the high school, and Misses Griggs and Williams, of the Commerce street school, left yesterday for the Atlanta Exposition, to be gone some ten days or more.

Professor Shank and Miss Christman, of the Belmont school, left last night for their homes, near Harrisonburg.

Miss Alexander, of Commerce street school, left yesterday morning for her home near Waynesboro.

Misses Boswell and Roberts also left yesterday to spend their holidays in Radford.

The holidays will give a much-needed rest to all the teachers, and they will return to their work with fresh vigor and health.

Democrat Elected in Maryland.

WESTMINSTER, Md., Dec. 21.—Complete returns from all districts in Carroll county insure the election of Dr. J. W. Herring, the Democratic candidate for State senator, by a majority of seven votes. Dr. Herring, who died suddenly a few weeks after his election in November as a Democrat. Dr. J. J. Weaver was the Republican candidate, and had been successful, the coming State senate would have been composed of thirteen Democrats and the same number of Republicans. As it is, the Democrats have a majority of two votes, which will enable them to prevent much of the legislation, which the Republicans would otherwise be able to enact.

Go to Donaldson's for bed lounges, couches, etc.

Palace Meat Market.
For the best fresh meats and green groceries you will find the Palace Market, at the corner of Campbell and Henry streets, the best place. Mrs. W. C. Overby.

Go to Donaldson's for the latest fancy rockers.

FOR SWEET CHARITY'S SAKE.

Roland Reed at His Best at the Academy Last Night.

Roland Reed, as General Josiah Limber, in the delightful comedy, "The Politician," performed at the Academy last night for the benefit of the Elks, charmed a large and enthusiastic audience. "The Politician" afforded the late Jno. T. Raymond an opportunity for one of his phenomenal successes in satirical comedy, and Roland Reed, the natural born successor of this gifted comedian, not only in temperament, action and facial delineation, but personal appearance as well, proved last night that his mantle had fallen on the shoulders of one fairly entitled to wear it.

Mr. Reed in his excellent work was happily supported by a strong company, thus assuring to his audience one of the most enjoyable entertainments yet given in Roanoke. Miss Isadore Rush as Cleopatra Sturges, the advanced or coming woman, fairly sharing the honors of the evening with Mr. Reed, and furnishing our people the first opportunity they have had of seeing this much-talked-of character properly delineated.

After the performance the local lodge of Elks entertained Mr. Reed and the male members of his company at their room on Campbell street, where a delightful banquet had been prepared. During the evening Mr. Reed entertained his hosts with an impromptu address, so happy and felicitous that he was voted not only one of the very best comedians on the stage, but also a genial, whole souled and witty companion in private life.

See the Great Shiloh Monday.

All lovers of histrionic art should see Salvini at the Academy of Music next Monday evening, as D'Artagnan, the finest character in Dumas' splendid story of "The Three Guardsmen." This famous actor has vitalized the novelists' conception until the conception becomes intensely realistic under his complete impersonation. Don't fail to see how a great actor can act.

No Truth in the Report.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—A rumor was put in circulation by an evening paper to the effect that there will be a probable closing of the stock exchange if the depression in prices continued. An Associated Press reporter who interviewed Mr. Ely, of the stock exchange, on the subject, was informed that the report of such a course had reached that office; that no meeting of the members of the exchange had been considered and that he saw no reason to expect any meeting of the stock exchange to consider the proposition. Concluding, Mr. Ely said: "The stock exchange will be open as usual every business day of the week."

Not Expected to Live.

RICHMOND, Dec. 21.—Dr. W. P. Palmer, one of the most prominent citizens of Richmond, while condemning President Cleveland's Venezuelan message was paralyzed and has not been able to speak since. His condition is critical and little hope is entertained of his recovery.

Go to Donaldson's for bookcases and desks.

VENEZUELAN GRATITUDE.

Great Rejoicing at the Stand Taken by the United States.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The World tomorrow will publish a copyrighted telegram from Venezuela. An anti-English feeling is growing there. The American and Venezuelan flags are everywhere to be seen displayed side by side or entwined, with portraits of Washington and Monroe between. Another mass meeting was held on the Bolivar this morning, at which was a large gathering.

A demonstration of all the citizens is planned to take place on Christmas day under the auspices of Simon Bolivar Club. Invitations have been given to the president of the republic, the cabinet, the clergy and the United States minister. The American residents of Caracas will then return the honor to their nation in the tributes offered to Washington by decorating the statue of Bolivar, the liberator.

The patriotic society for the defense of Venezuelan territory issued a protest against the pretensions and aggressions of England. It also requests the minister of foreign affairs to remove the exequators of Venezuelan citizens who are acting as British consuls in this country unless they resign immediately.

In Guyana the enthusiasm has led to the forming of battalions ready for service, and here special honors were paid to the American minister. The archbishop and the clergy of Caracas called upon him to-day to express their thanks and those of the people of the United States for the stand taken by President Cleveland. Venezuela is sending diplomatic messages to every foreign country. The country applauds the move, and the United States and Venezuela are truly united.

Forefathers' Day at Brooklyn.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Dec. 21.—Forefathers' day was celebrated here to-day at a banquet, over which Gen. Stewart L. Woodford presided. In the absence of Hon. Hoke Smith, Secretary of the Interior, who was to have responded to the toast, "The President of the United States," St. Clair McKelway, of the Brooklyn Eagle, spoke to that sentiment.

Found Dead in His Room.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 21.—O. W. Anderson, of Springfield, Mass., was found dead in his room this morning. Death was due to heart disease. He was a son of General Anderson, who served on the Federal side in the late war. He was also a thirty-three degree Mason.

Pilgrim Fathers' Day.

PLYMOUTH, Dec. 21.—The 27th anniversary of the landing of the pilgrim fathers was celebrated here to-day. The exercises included, besides musical features, an oration by United States Senator George F. Hoar, and an original poem by Richard Henry Stoddard, of Boston.

The Fence-maker Suffered.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 21.—In the course of a pistol duel between Josephine Clark and Jennie Beard on the levee this afternoon, a woman named Galloway was shot in the abdomen and cannot recover. Jealousy was the cause of the trouble.

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Coats, Capes and Millinery Goods.

Sacrifice Prices on Coats.
All of our \$5, \$8 and \$10 Boucle Coats, with full Melon Sleeves, 3/4 satin lined, some with SHIELD FRONT, some with Franklin Collar and others with Columbus Lapel. As we said above, they're worth \$8, \$9 and \$10. Sacrifice price.....\$4.98
Our \$14, \$15 and \$16 Coats, made of All-Satin Lined Astrakhan, Half Lined Boucles and Imported Kersyes S. P.....\$6.98
Our \$14, \$15 and \$16 Coats, made of Cashmere, Cheval and Persian Lamb, all Satin Lined, at the sacrifice price \$8.75
Our \$14, \$8 and \$20 Coats, including our Velvet Cheval, Shell and Imperial Persian Lamb, all Satin Lined. S. P.....\$10.98

Sacrifice Prices on Plush Capes.
Fine Plush Circular Capes, with Bear edge, also Plain Circular Plush Capes, that sold for \$7, \$8 and \$9. S. P.....\$3.65
Extra Fine Plush Circular Capes, both plain and appliqued, fine Thibet edge, full-swept; were \$10, \$11 and \$12. S. P.....\$6.98
Plush Circular Ruffle Cape and all our Ap-luqued Capes, both Plush and Velour, that sold up to \$16. S. P.....\$8.50
Our entire line of Double and Single Plush Capes, both plain and braided, with both Bear and Thibet edge, that sold up to \$25 all season. S. P.....\$11.00

Sacrifice Prices on Cloth Capes.
\$10 Single Capes, of fine mohair curl boucle, cut extra full sweep, novelty strap seams over shoulder and back. S. P.....\$3.50
\$8 Double Beaver Capes, velvet collar. \$3.48
\$8 Pine Circular and also Double Capes, trimmed in rows of erasid.....\$4.50
\$10 All-Satin Lined Astrakhan Capes.....\$6.98
\$14 Superior Double Capes, fine embroidery, full sweep, now at.....\$8.00
\$16 All-Satin-lined Astrakhan Capes, Thibet edge, 27 and 36 inches long.....\$10.00
120 Ladies' Capes, made from all the fashionable cloths, variously and elegantly trimmed, single and double military styles, of an average value of \$10, (none worth less than \$7.50) to choose at.....\$5.98

Here Are Some Wonderful Bargains in Trimmed Hats and Millinery:
Sixty-five Trimmed Hats, some large Occot, some Toques and Turbans, some large Felt Hats, all finely trimmed. Worth \$5.00, at.....1.50

Trimmed Hats, surpassing for elegance
Roanoke, some copies of imported hats, some the work of our own excellent trimmers, duplicate of any one of them would cost you \$10 to \$12 elsewhere. Marked by us
\$3.98 and \$4.98.

Special Millinery Bargains:
Coque Feathers and Algrettes.....7c
Wings, Fancy Feathers—Algrettes.....12c
Ostrich Plumes, 9 inches long.....19c
Ostrich Plumes, black only.....25c
Cut Steel Buttons and Ornaments.....9c
Jet Buckles and Ornaments.....5c
Black and Colored Birds.....5c
Satin Finish Felt Hats.....25c
For Felt Hats, all shapes.....75c
Imported Felt Hats.....39c

Remember, also, that we are open every evening from now until Christmas
Palais Royal, M. INDORSKY, Manager, 101 Salem Avenue.